# Hospital Budgets and Insurance Premium Rates

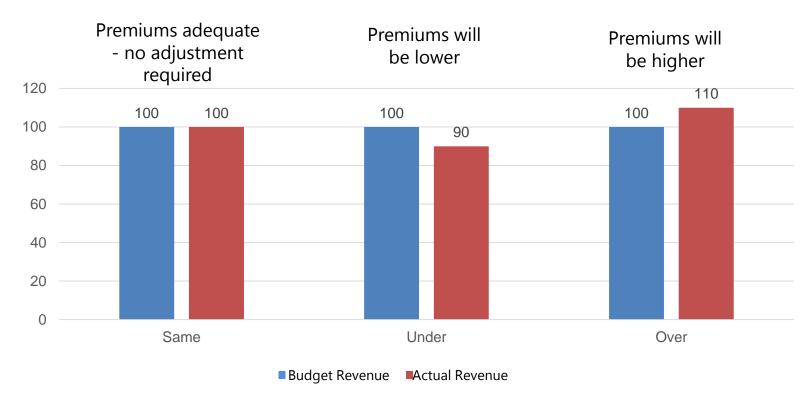
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### **Key Points**

- Higher than budgeted revenue from commercial patients means commercial premiums were not adequate to cover projected hospital medical costs
- Unit costs and patient utilization combined equal total hospital medical revenue
- Unit price adjustments made sooner will have a larger impact on hospital medical spending

### **Hypothetical Budget Scenarios**



#### Assumptions for simplicity:

- One insurer and one hospital; premiums and budgets match
- Commercial portion of budget only
- Hospital medical spending portion of premium



# Hospital Medical Revenue (commercial portion)

	Unit Price	Utilization	Total Revenue
Current	\$100	50	\$5,000
Budget =	+1.0%	+0.0%	+1.0%
Premiums	\$101	50	\$5,050
Actual =	+1.0%	+2.0%	+3.0%
Premiums Increase	\$101	51	\$5,151
Adjust Unit Price	-1%	Actual Utilization	
to Match Premiums	\$99	51	\$5,050

## Timing of Adjustments

